

Central United Methodist Church



Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 12, 2021
10:45 a.m.

Our Vision:

***Making Christ known by extending hospitality,
serving the community, and embracing all.***

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Welcome to Central! We're glad you are here. Per CDC guidelines, masks are strongly recommended for everyone regardless of vaccination status. We ask that you maintain social distancing by sitting only in pews with cushions, practice good hand washing hygiene and please take advantage of hand sanitizing stations throughout the building.

We Gather to Praise God

Gathering Music

Prelude At Sunset Emma Louise Ashford

Welcome *The Peace of Christ be with you! **And also with you!*** Rev. Jimmy Sherrod

Opening Prayer Todd Cox

† Opening Hymn Maker, in Whom We Live UMH 88

Maker, in whom we live, in whom we are and move,
the glory, power, and praise receive for thy creating love.
Let all the angel throng give thanks to God on high,
while earth repeats the joyful song and echoes to the sky.

Incarnate Diety, let all the ransomed race render
in thanks their lives to thee for thy redeeming grace.
The grace to sinners showed ye heavenly choirs proclaim,
and cry, "Salvation to our God, salvation to the Lamb!"

Spirit of Holiness, let all thy saints adore thy sacred energy,
and bless thine heart renewing power.
Not angel tongues can tell thy love's ecstatic height,
the glorious joy unspeakable, the beatific sight.

Eternal, Triune God, let all the hosts above,
let all on earth below record and dwell upon thy love.
When heaven and earth are fled before they glorious face,
sing all the saints thy love hath made thine everlasting praise.

† Call to Worship Todd Cox

Sing praises to God, all you faithful ones.

God hears us in our fear and our sorrow.

Where there was no way,

God leads us in a new way

Where there was no mercy,

God surprises us with fresh mercy.

Where there was weeping,

God invites us to step into a new dance.

Sing praises to God, all you faithful ones. **Alleluia! Amen.**

Hymn

I Love You, Lord

TFWS 2068

I love you, Lord, and I lift my voice
To worship you. Oh my soul rejoice!
Take joy, my King, in what You hear,
May it be a sweet, sweet sound in your ear.

We Listen to Hear God's Voice

Scripture

Genesis 12: 1-4; Revelation 2:9-11

A Time For Young Christians

Ann Sartwell

Song

He's Always Been Faithful

Sara Groves/Rhodes

Sermon

Fruit of the Spirit: Faithfulness

Rev. Sherrod

We Respond to God's Great Love

Hymn

Christ Beside Me

TFWS 2166

Christ beside me, Christ before me, Christ behind me King of my heart;
Christ within me, Christ below me, Christ above me never to part.

Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand, Christ all around me Shield in the strife;
Christ in my sleeping, Christ in my sitting, Christ in my rising light of my life.

The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead and buried;

the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,

and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Offering our gifts

I Will Follow You, Stepping Out On Faith

Hayden/Rachmaninoff

† Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

UMH 94

We Are Scattered to Serve God In Our World

† Closing Hymn

Be Thou My Vision

UMH 451

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art.
Thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
Thou and thou only, first in my heart, great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.

Great God of heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Postlude

Fanfare

William Mathias

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Virginia Colson has moved to Shannondale Wellpark for rehabilitation.

Becky Cox has moved to NHC Farragut for a short stay before going back to Manor House.

Crit Parrott has been diagnosed with lymphoma and will be undergoing additional testing to determine the treatment.

Georgia Poore (Jack Poore's mother) is now in hospice care.

Mike O'Tool (grandson of Ron O'Tool) continues his treatment in a rehabilitation facility in Texas.

COVID

Matthew Brown (Bob and Kathy Gant's son-in-law) recovering from COVID and is home on oxygen.

The **family of Judy Dixon** (friend of Penney Helms), who died of COVID after completing chemotherapy.

Andrea Montooth (Penney Helms's cousin) has COVID but has not been hospitalized.

The **family of Paulette McCullough** (Tyler Lewelling's aunt), who died from COVID September 7 in Ohio.

Paula Murphy (Doug Johnson's sister), who has COVID pneumonia, is now being treated at home with medication and oxygen.

The **family of Michael Smith** (Lucy Varnell's brother-in-law) who died of complications of COVID Wednesday morning.

Please continue to remember **Clara Hagaman** (1412 Tipton Station Rd, 37920), **Sancy Hail** (7545 Thunder Ct, Powell, 37849), **Kenny Johnson** (Doug Johnson's brother), **Peter Keyes** (6920 Maize Dr., 37918), **Allen Knable** (4371 Lifespring Ln, Room 303, 37918), **Mark Loy** (Anne and Don Loy's son), **Barbara Marks** (1315 Snowdon Dr., 37912), **Richard Moon** (7655 Apple Cross, Corryton, 37721), **Doris Jean Moore** (7404 Kentfield Dr, 37919), **Billy Varnell** (4121 Riverstone Ln, 37918), and **Bill Winans** (1658 Wisteria View Way, 37914).

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